

Caleb Pusey House
15 Race Street
Landingford Plantation
Delaware County
Pennsylvania

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Pennsylvania	COUNTY Delaware	TOWN OR VICINITY Landingford Plantation
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Caleb Pusey House		HABS NO. PA-1079
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 15 Race Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) East section, 1683; West section, c1696	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Considered the earliest surviving English-built house in Pennsylvania, the Caleb Pusey House was built in the vernacular tradition of 16th and early 17thc English models. It is also the only home extant in America known to have been visited by William Penn.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Random rubble with flush siding in west gable end and brick in east gable end		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) One-and-one half stories; approximately 46'x18' (east and west sections); hall and parlor plan.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Original gable roof was replaced with a gambrel c1752		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Large fireplace in central wall; stone well in west section; bake oven.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES 1752: gambrel roof replaced gable roof, shed dormer probably added at same time mid-19thc: window and door cut in east wall 1964: restored		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Museum operated by the Friends of Caleb Pusey House, Inc.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) HABS report		
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